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CONFIRMATION NO. 1118

FORMALITIES LETTER



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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF REISSUE APPLICATION

Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this reissue application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- Consent of assignee is missing. 37 CFR 1.172 requires that a reissue oath/declaration be accompanied by the written consent of all assignees.
- Assignee's statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) establishing ownership of the patent is missing. 37 CFR 1.172 requires that all assignees consenting to the reissue application establish their ownership interest in the patent by filing in the reissue application a statement in accordance with 37 CFR 3.73(b).

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fee(s) required for this application is **\$130** for a Large Entity

- **\$130** Late oath or declaration Surcharge.

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PART 2 - COPY TO BE RETURNED WITH RESPONSE



THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Shusuke AKAZAKI et al

Confirmation No.: 1118

Serial No.: 10/800,651

Filed: March 16, 2004

For: EXHAUST GAS PURIFICATION SYSTEM OF
INTERNAL COMBUSTION ENGINE

**RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF
REISSUE APPLICATION**

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August 9, 2004

Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Reissue Application (a copy of which is attached), the time for response being extended one month by the attached Petition for Extension of Time, it is respectfully submitted that the Consent of Assignee under 37 C.F.R. 1.172 and the Assignee's statement establishing ownership of the patent under 37 C.F.R. 3.73(b) have been previously submitted and are of record.

The present application is a continuation of Reissue Application No. 09/945,835, filed on September 5, 2001, which is a reissue application of U.S. Letters Patent No. 5,946,906, issued September 7, 1999 (whose application number is 08/975,101, filed on November 20, 1997). The Consent of Assignee was filed with the parent application and a copy of the Consent of Assignee was filed with the present application. For the convenience of the Examiner, another copy of the Consent of Assignee is attached hereto.

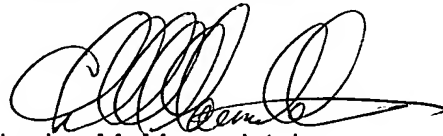
With regard to the Assignee's statement under 37 C.F.R. 3.73(b) establishing ownership, the Examiner's attention is called to Item #12 on the Continuation Application Transmittal Sheet, in which it is noted that the prior application is assigned

of record to Honda Giken Kogyo Kabushiki Kaisha, recorded at Reel 8826, Frame 0487 on November 20, 1997.

In view of the prior submission of the Consent of Assignee and the statement in the Transmittal Sheet regarding the establishment of ownership, it is respectfully submitted that this paper constitutes a prior response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Reissue Application. If for any reason this is not deemed a complete response and further documentation is required, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner contact the undersigned attorney at the indicated telephone number to expedite the disposition of this case.

It is respectfully submitted that in view of the above remarks, the government surcharge fee for the late filing of the oath and declaration is not necessary. However, in the event that any fees are due with respect to this paper, please charge Deposit Account No. 01-2300, referencing Atty. Docket No. 107101-00050.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'C. Marmelstein', with a stylized flourish extending to the right.

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Enclosures: Notice from PTO (copy); Consent of Assignee (copy)
Petition for Extension of Time



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In re the Reissue application of:

AKAZAKI et al.

Art Unit: To be determined

Serial No.: 08/975,101

Examiner: To be determined

Filed: November 20, 1997

Docket No.: 107101-07003

For: EXHAUST GAS PURIFICATION SYSTEM OF INTERNAL COMBUSTION ENGINE

CONSENT OF ASSIGNEE

Dear Sir:

The undersigned, Assignee of the entire interest of the original U. S. Letters Patent No. 5,946,906, issued September 7, 1999, whose rights are established by the assignment recorded in the U.S.P.T.O. at reel/frame 8826/0487, hereby consent to the accompanying Reissue Application.

Respectfully submitted,

Honda Giken Kogyo Kabushiki Kaisha

Name

Senior Managing and Representative Director

Title

September 3, 2001

Date